IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
	Michael T. Carley, et al.)
Serial No.:	10/787,073) Art Unit
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Confirmation No.:	9513)
For:	CLOSURE DEVICE)
Examiner:	Melanie Ruano Tyson)
Customer No.:	57360)

AMENDMENT "D" AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

VIA *e*FILE RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 13, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.